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## A Sudden Death

Mary E. Carter, wife of Thomas Carter of this city, died very suddenly at 10 o'clock last Friday, October 7, 1910.

Mrs. Carter had just eaten quite heartily of beef and became very sick at the stomach. The sickness had the effect of bringing on a vomiting spell which resulted in strangulation and she died before she could be helped to her bed.

Mary E. Carter was born in the state of Arkansas, April 10th, 1862; died at Medicine Lodge, Kansas, Oct. 7th, 1910, aged 48 years, 5 months and 27 days. Her maiden name was Mary Eudora Wilfley. Her first marriage was to Mr. Will Bunch. To this union were born 6 children, 3 boys and 3 girls, her first husband and one daughter preceding her in death. In June, 1893, she was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Thomas Carter of Medicine Lodge by Rev. David Nation. To this union were born 7 children, 5 boys and 2 girls. A husband, 12 children, father, mother, one brother, five sisters, many relatives and a host of friends mourn her sudden taking away. She embraced a hope in Christ about twenty-five years ago and united with the Baptist church in Kansas City, Kansas, and later with the First Baptist church of Medicine Lodge. From this church she received her letter to unite with the Second Baptist church. From the last named church her funeral was held, conducted by Rev. H. W. Garnett, of Newton, Kansas, assisted by Revs. Rullison, Van Horn and Hopkins, of Medicine Lodge, on Saturday, October 8th. The remains were laid to rest in Highland cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter came to Medicine Lodge in an early day and were among the first colored people to settle here. Mrs. Carter was a hard working woman and strictly and conscientiously honest. She was a leader among the people of her race and one of the most devoted workers in the Second Baptist church, and she will be sadly missed by the colored people of the city.

The sympathy of his friends is extended to Mr. Carter and family in this sorrow.

## A Card of Thanks

Through this medium we wish to express our heart-felt thanks to all who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of Mrs. Mary E. Carter, our wife, mother, daughter and sister—Thomas Carter, Arthur Carter, Roy Carter, Clarence Carter, Harold Carter, Virgil Carter, Ed Bunch, Geo. Bunch, Robt. Bunch, Nettie Bunch, Priscilla Bunch, Fenton Wilfley, Sarah Wilfley, C. R. Wilfley, Eva Gray, Lizzie Austin, Mattie Jenkins, Sarah Martin, Lucy Taylor.

## Card of Thanks

We desire to thank all of our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our companion and mother, Mrs. Rena Crumpacker.

E. S. Crumpacker and Family.

## Store Burned at Forest

R. R. Nurse had the misfortune to lose his store at Forest City by fire Saturday afternoon. He had been raking and burning refuse around the building and the fire got so close to the oil shed that the heat exploded the tanks, and, of course, when the coal oil and gasoline were ignited there was no possible way of fighting the flames.

Mr. Nurse carried a stock of about \$1700, and the building was worth about \$700. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

We are very sorry to hear of this misfortune.

Vote for Emmet McCleary for County Surveyor.

## To The Public

The Medicine Lodge Choral Society is successfully practicing the Operetta "A Nautical Knot." This notice is just to warn you to get in to shape for an enjoyable evening and a good hearty laugh.

HARRY TERRY, Sec'y.

Beginning Oct. 1st, we will sell what Buick cars we have in stock at flat cost. The name Buick on a car is recognized the country over as a guaranty of quality. We are going to discontinue the automobile business. If you are thinking of buying an auto, do not miss this opportunity of buying at Manufacturer's Wholesale Prices. York-Key Mercantile Co., Kiowa, Kansas.

## Foot Ball Friday

The Anthony High School foot ball team will be here Friday afternoon to play the Barber County High School boys. This promises to be a great game. Turn out.

## A "Boost"

The Farmers Mail and Breeze of October 1st has a fine photograph of D. W. Stone's elegant new farm house in Mingona township. The Mail and Breeze got out an "Annual Building Number" that week and has photographs of houses from all over the state and Mr. Stone's has the distinction of heading the list. Accompanying the illustration is a brief description as follows:

"Farm residence of D. W. Stone, recently completed at a cost of about \$5,500, on his fine 760-acre farm, 5 miles west of Medicine Lodge, in the famous Medicine Valley, Barber county. The material is pressed brick with cut stone trimmings, woodwork is oak on first floor, ash on second floor and maple flooring. The house is equipped with a furnace and bath rooms, and lighted with acetylene gas."

It should be added that Mr. Stone has recently furnished the house elaborately and in pleasing harmony with this magnificent structure, and it is anticipated that in a very short time that other and most essential addition necessary to a model happy home will be supplied.

Vote for A. W. Smith for Clerk of the District Court.

## District Court in Session

The October term of the district court of Barber county was convened by Judge P. B. Gillett on Monday afternoon. The afternoon was devoted to calling the docket and disposing of a few default cases. Two criminal cases—State vs. S. Kocell and State vs. Wilhite—were continued for the term.

The jury was called yesterday morning and the first trial was State vs. Claude Mundon. The defendant has been in jail since August and is charged with having stolen money and property from Estella Frost of Kiowa, of the value of \$25.

County Attorney Field prosecuted and Samuel Griffin defended. The jury was composed of: J. H. Mathews, C. J. Priest, Sam Scott, W. E. Humphreys, M. W. Smedley, H. E. Shore, F. F. Myers, Lewis Ulrich, P. L. Lake, B. Mills, W. W. Hewitt, W. S. Reece. The jury was deliberating at the time of printing.

The next case on the docket was The State of Kansas vs. Grover Elliott. The defendant is charged with rape, Blanche McCoy being the prosecuting witness. County Attorney Field is prosecuting and, the defendant being unable to employ counsel, Samuel Griffin was appointed by the court to defend him.

The case is now on trial.

## Democratic Campaign Book

The Democratic National Congressional committee has issued its campaign book and is now distributing it. The committee has no funds save as it obtains them through contributions and is selling the book at \$1 per copy, or for 50 cents a copy in lots of ten or more.

The book is replete with valuable matter and is said to be the best campaign book ever issued. Every Democrat should have it and in this year of Democratic effort for supremacy should gladly contribute to the committee by purchasing the book. The committee did valiant service in Maine with notable results, and if Democrats everywhere will rise to the occasion, by their dollar contributions, the Democratic sun will rise triumphantly, not to set for fifty years to come. Send your orders or contributions to F. F. Garrett, Treasurer, Democratic Campaign Committee, 821-15th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

## Prize Cattle

H. W. Skinner of this city had some calves and steers at the St. Joe Live Stock Exhibition about two weeks ago and took first and third prizes. They were Shorthorns purchased from M. E. Casto of Deerhead.

It doesn't make any difference what it is—live stock, agricultural or horticultural—if it is from Barber county, Kansas, it's the best.

Don't forget Huffaker's big sale at Sharon next Monday.

## The Race Trouble at Pratt

The race trouble at Pratt took on a new and more serious aspect last week. It has been brewing for several weeks but until last week it had not gotten farther than the "warning" stage.

The trouble began when a colored man purchased a residence in the aristocratic section of the city. The property owners of that part of the city affected waited on the colored man and notified him not to move into the house. He replied by offering to sell the property at an advanced price and in that condition affairs rested until the early part of last week when the negro bought a lot of furniture and furnished the house. The night following the day that the house was furnished some shots were fired into the house and the report is that both the house and the furniture were badly damaged. The negro gathered the bullets the next day and took them to Topeka, exhibited them to Governor Stubbs and appealed to him for protection. The Governor has done nothing up to this time but is said to be investigating. It is claimed that if the colored man had been in the house the night of the shooting he could not have escaped death. The negro claims that the county and city authorities refuse to protect him, but the officers claim that they are using all diligence to find the guilty parties.

The white people of Pratt say that this sale was not made in good faith. They claim that there is an understanding between the former owner and the colored man and that the purpose is to compel the property owners of that immediate portion of the city to buy the residence in the controversy at an enormous price.

Regardless of what his legal rights may be, we think the colored man is precipitating something that may result in untold injury to his race in that city. The colored people should as a matter of self protection, call on him and make it plain to him that he must cease offending. It is reported, however, that many of the negroes are urging defiance. The trouble may yet develop into a small race war.

## County Business

As stated last week, the October term of the county commissioners court was short, the business having been transacted in one day. The roads petitioned for by W. E. Fulton and others, and L. G. Harmon and others of Sun City were acted upon favorably and the Board will view the proposed roads in each instance.

Geo. Eckert, J. P. Elsea and S. S. Kincaid were appointed viewers of a road petitioned for by E. R. Cole and others in the southwestern part of the county.

The Wisner road in Sharon township was ordered re-surveyed. Road petitioned for by O. L. Kish and others was allowed without damages.

C. W. Kidd and C. D. Raskley were appointed to assist the probate judge in making the quarterly examination of the county treasurer's books.

Vote for J. N. Herr for Representative.

## Meeting of Ladies Aid

The ladies of the M. E. Church had a pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. J. A. Pepon on the eastern edge of the city last Wednesday. The ladies did sewing and other household work for Mrs. Pepon, who had been disabled for several weeks on account of sickness, and they also took with them an abundant supply of table provisions and a splendid dinner was served.

Mrs. Pepon and her most welcome guests enjoyed the day heartily.

## For Sale

A cheap property on north Walnut Street, property improved, \$275 cash. Come and learn more about it.

T. L. LINDLEY & CO

We can't understand it, but it is a fact that G. M. Martin makes a specialty of misquoting The Index. Glover seems to be entirely unable to do anything correctly. The Index did not make the statements which he quotes. If he will bring us a paper containing them, we will reward him for his trouble, and we will also vote for him. His manner of writing articles is a poor advertisement for a man who wants to be county attorney.

## Dance Reform

Whenever a crowd of folks wish to dance in Kansas City they must secure a license to do so, and then while they are dancing there is a dance inspector present to see that they do not dance too close to each other, and it causes lots of indignation. The Kansas City Star tells of how a dance inspector came into one dance hall, and watched the actions of the dancers with a frown on his face but didn't say anything until the beautiful, dreamy strains of "The Grizzly Bear" broke forth with its "hug up close to your baby, throw your shoulders to the ceiling, Lawdy! Lawdy! what a feelin'." Then the inspector saw that they were paying too much attention to the words of the song to have a very good effect on the morals of the rising generation, so he stopped the dance and gave the crowd a nice little lecture on how to dance and the evils of such dancing. He was hissed by two young women and the inspector simply called a policeman and had them escorted from the hall. The inspector said that the men seem more anxious to obey the law than the women and that on more than one occasion he had seen a young man very much embarrassed and belabored between trying to obey the rules and not to offend the flushed girl who was dancing with him, with her hand upon his shoulder and shaping herself "just like a biliard," with nothing but the pale moon filtering through the skylight to illuminate the hall.

## Santa Fe "Brass Collars" Coming

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company's work of bringing about a better understanding between the company and the public includes a town to town campaign which started on Monday at Olathe. J. R. Koontz, general freight agent; E. L. Copeland, treasurer; D. M. Hamilton, claims attorney; H. A. Tice, superintendent of the western division; John Purcell, superintendent of the Topeka shops, and J. F. Jarrell, publicity agent, have charge of the work in Kansas, assisted by the local railroad people.

The party will be in Medicine Lodge on Friday. Their stay will be brief and our people who want to meet them should be in readiness.

## Big Sale at Sharon

W. H. Huffaker will sell 18 head of horses and a lot of farm machinery at his farm one-half mile south of Sharon, next Monday, October 17th. He has some fine horses and it will pay farmers and buyers to attend this sale.

Sale will begin at 10:30 a. m. Fee lunch will be served on the grounds.

## Order of Owls

The Owls will meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Next meeting Wednesday, October 12th, at 8:30 p. m. All members are earnestly requested to be present, as the report of the ways and means committee is to be presented at this time.

Yours in O. O. O.  
HOWARD CADY, President

## Methodist Church

Great Laymen's Missionary Movement Meeting next Saturday evening and all day Sunday. Place of holding the Saturday evening meeting to be announced later. Sunday service in the church—morning, afternoon and night. The Sunday afternoon meeting and the Saturday evening meeting are for men. This event is to be a copy of the great Inspirational convention led by some of the same men. Thomas John, a native christian layman of India, Rev. Harvey Reeves Calkins of Cawnpore, India. He is the author of that famous little book, "The Victory of Mary Christoper." Dr. Yeller will also be present. This is to be the biggest thing Medicine Lodge ever touched. Our people cannot afford to miss this great opportunity—our only opportunity. We could not get any other date. Everybody cordially invited.

Regular preaching services next Sunday as usual. Subjects as follows:

Morning, "Justifying God's Judgment."  
Evening, "Christ's Jerusalem Conflict and Ours."

The public is cordially invited to worship with us.  
GEORGE LEDREW RULISON, Pastor.

Dwight Mills puts glass in automobile wind shields.

## INCREASED TAXES

In 1908, when Gov. Leedy retired and the Republicans wrested the state from the control of the Democrats and Populists, Barber county's share of the state tax was \$7,092.98.

In 1902, the last year of Gov. Stanley's (Republican) administration, Barber County's state tax was \$10,439.02.

In 1908, the last year of Gov. Hoch's administration (Republican), Barber County's state tax was \$14,759.99.

In 1909, under Gov. Stubbs' (Republican) present administration, Barber County had to "dig up" \$22,102.07.

Mr. Taxpayer, how do you like it?

Vote for Seward L. Field for County Attorney.

## Football at Capron

In the football game between the B. C. H. S. and Cherokee teams, played last Saturday at Capron, Okla., Cherokee won by the small margin of 15 to 5.

The teams were very evenly matched, and the game was very closely contested but neither side showed any extraordinary amount of fast or brilliant playing.

The Cherokee boys were much heavier, outweighing the B. C. H. S. team by about ten pounds per man. This, along with their previous experience in football this season, won them the game.

At all times during the game the High School boys proved themselves equal to the occasion, and only once or twice was Cherokee able to carry out their play with any effect.

B. C. H. S. has some exceedingly good football material, and should the boys keep working with as much success as they have had, considering the little amount of practice they have time to indulge in, they will beyond all doubt be able to carry away many victories this season.

It would be rather hard to give the credit to any one player for good play, as the whole team did their work in good style.

Case, Cook and Richardson were a little more lucky than the rest of the team in regard to receiving bruises and scratches. Cook is carrying his marks of fame in a very prominent place, which certainly adds to his good looks.

The B. C. H. S. lineup is as follows:

Haun, right end.  
Martin, right tackle.  
Shell, right guard.  
Warwick, center.  
Totten, left guard.  
McCague, left tackle.  
Case, left end.  
Richardson, left half.  
Lindley, full back.  
MacGregor, quarter back.  
Cook, right half.

## An Indian Party

Francis Slane entertained the "Smart Set" at an Indian Party Saturday night. Indian fashion predominated throughout and the guests wore Indian costumes and upon their arrival each guest was provided with a name of a noted Indian Chief. The yard was supplied with Japanese lanterns and twenty-five Indian tepees and camp fires were built around them where pow-wows were held, typifying an Indian camp. Partners for an "Indian Dance" were assigned by means of cards on which were written the names of different tribes, after which the cards were cut in two, leaving the holders to find their mates.

After indulging in elaborate refreshments, a bead guessing contest was held, a quantity of beads being placed in a bottle and the person making the closest guess winning the prize which was a beautiful burnt-wood picture of an Indian camp.

Mr. Crouch of Capron, Oklahoma, was the fortunate one. A second prize, consisting of a like scene but smaller, was awarded to Miss Alma Palmer who made the second best guess.

There were about fifty guests present and Mr. Slane was complimented very highly for his originality, and his unique and successful manner of entertainment.

## Resolutions of Condolence

Again it has pleased the Grand Master of the Universe, in his infinite wisdom, to enter the home of our beloved brother, E. S. Crumpacker, and remove to her eternal home his life companion. Death is always sad and becomes doubly so when in the prime of life a mother is taken, leaving to the care of a father, children who need a mother's care and caresses.

Would that we could say something to alleviate the distress that now burdens the father and children who mourn the loss of a wife and mother. But fully realizing the utter futility of words, we can but bow to the will of Omnipotence and submit to the inevitable.

Nevertheless it is some consolation to know that we are not alone in the world but that we are surrounded by those who sympathize with us in our sorrow. Therefore, be it resolved by Pioneer Lodge, No. 179, I. O. O. F.:

That we extend to Brother E. S. Crumpacker and his motherless children our heartfelt sympathy in this, the darkest hour of their lives.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this meeting, a copy delivered to our bereft brother, and a copy be furnished each of the Medicine Lodge papers with a request for publication.

ALLEN E. HERR,  
WRIGHT TERRY,  
Committee.

Vote for J. M. Couse to Sheriff.

## Presbyterian Church Notes

The revival meetings have begun. The Rev. F. F. Thomas of Garden City, Kansas, is with us, preached on last Sabbath and will assist in the meetings during all of this week and over next Sabbath.

Subject for this evening will be "The Mystery of Sin." The subject for Thursday evening will be "Mules and Dirt." The subject for Friday evening, "A Message to Lodge Men."

On next Sabbath afternoon, Mr. Thomas will speak to men only.

The attendance on last Sabbath was excellent, for the beginning of these meetings. We invite those who attended last Sabbath, and others, to attend in the future. We especially invite the pastors and singers of the other churches to attend and assist as they may be willing.

These meetings have been undertaken for the good of the community and nothing will be done or said that could reasonably give offense, and any one who lends a hand in this effort, will not be aiding one church so much as the entire community.

W. T. VAN HORN, Pastor.

## Barber County at K. S. A. C.

The Barber county students at the Kansas State Agricultural College met and re-organized last week. The officers of the club are as follows:

Archie Findley, President.  
Roy Platt, Vice President.  
Miss Watkins, Secretary.  
Miss Austin, Treasurer.  
James Robinson, Marshall.

There are quite a number of new students from Barber county this year, and we are going to have a meeting of some kind in the near future in order to get them all together and get better acquainted.  
A Student.

## Receiver's Public Sale

The live stock, farm machinery and crops, the partnership property of Lane and Killingsworth, at Gerlane, Kansas, will be sold at public sale on Tuesday, October 18th, at the direction of J. B. Harbaugh, Receiver. Among the property to be sold are 40 head of mules, mares and colts, 45 head of hogs, a large number of farming implements of every description, hay, corn, oats and kaffir corn in large quantities. The sale will begin at 10 o'clock, a. m. For description of property see sale bills.

## Will Serve Dinner

The ladies of the Cemetery Association will serve dinner and supper on Wednesday, October 12th. Everybody is asked to patronize them on this day.

It is also requested that all who have promised to raise \$5 for the Association and have not already done so, pay the money into the treasury on that day.

Wolf Banquet hams at Cole & Son's.